# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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NATIONAL SUMMIT ON PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the National Summit on Public/Private Partnership of Rural Prosperity was recently organized by ASSOCHAM;

(b) if so, the details of the points discussed in the meeting;

(c) whether Prime Minister has stressed the need for grater public private partnership for rural development in the field of health care, education and communication etc.;

(d) if so, the response of the business community in adopting villages, NGOs and geographical areas for development work in rural areas;

(e) whether the Government propose to give special concessions to those business community who take part in development work in the rural areas; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Captains of leading industries expressed their keen interest in establishing a meaningful partnership between the Government and the industry for accelerating the process of overall development of the rural areas, with particular reference to improving the quality of life in those areas. The Prime Minister stated that rural prosperity is the answer not only to the call for faster growth, but it also answers to two other goals - Growth with Equity and Social Justice.He also called for making Rural Prosperity the `mantra` of the decade.

(c) : Yes, Sir.

(d) The Summit felt the need for continuing the dialogue between the Government and the Industries for concretizing the areas of possible partnership for faster development of the rural areas.

(e) &(f): No fresh concessions to the business community for involving them in the development work in rural areas are under consideration of the Government.